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SUBJECT: SOVIET COMMENT ON NUCLEAR EXPORTERS PROPOSAL

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- 1. I PASSED INFORMATION ON THE NUCLEAR SUPPLIERS CONFERENCE AS PER INSTRUCTIONS REFTEL TO MOROKHOV AND TIMERBAYEV APRIL 12.
- 2. MOROKHOV COMMENTED THAT THE OBJECTIVES THE U.S. HAS SET BEFORE THE CONFERENCE ARE LAUDABLE, AND SAID THAT IT IS HIS PERSONAL OPINION THAT THE SOVIET UNION WILL PARTICIPATE. HE ADDED THAT THERE MAY BE SOME QUESTION WHETHER ALL PREPARATIONS CAN BE MADE INTIME FOR AN APRIL 23 MEETING. FROM OTHER REMARKS MADE BY THE TWO SOVIETS DURING THE MEETING, HOWEVER, IT SEEMS CLEAR THAT THEY AT LEAST AT PRESENT ARE HOPING TO MAKE THE APRIL 23 DEADLINE. THEY PROMISED AN OFFICIAL REPLY AS SOON AS POSSIBLE.
- 3. MOROKHOV AGAIN RAISEDTHE QUESTION OF GDR PARTICIPATION.
 I SAID THAT WE PREFERRED TO LIMIT PARTICIPATION IN THE CONFERENCE
 TO THE SEVEN, AND POINTED OUT THAT THE UK AND THE FRG HAD
 DROPPED THEIR SUPPORT OF DUTCH PARTICIPATION IN ORDER TH ENSURE
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THAT THESE INITIAL DISCUSSIONS BE BETWEEN THE REALLY MAJOR

SUPPLIERS. TIMERBAYEV ASKED IF WE CONSIDERED DISCUSSION WOULD BE POSSIBLE IN LONDON ON HOW PARTICIPATION BY THE GDR IN FURTHER MEETINGS BETWEEN SUPPLIERS COULD BE HANDLED. I REPLIED THAT I THOUGHT WE COULD CERTAINLY DISCUSS THE QUESTION.

4. TIMERBAYEV STRESSED THAT IT WAS HIS UNDERSTANDING THAT THE FACT OF THE MEETING WOULD BE CONFIDENTIAL. I CONFIRMED THAT THAT WAS MY UNDERSTANDING AS WELL. STOESSEL

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